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REMARKS

The Examiner is thanked for the Examiner Interview of today and for conferring with

the SPE. Based on our discussion, it was requested that clarifying language be added to

further define aspects of the invention. Additionally, the claims were amended to specify the

access to the software product after the decryption operation.

As indicated by the Examiner, the claims, if amended consistent with the requested

clarifications, would be in condition for allowance.

To expedite allowance, the Examiner indicated that he would enter the

amendments presented in this paper by Examiners Amendment.

If the Examiner has any questions concerning the present amendment, the Examiner is

kindly requested to contact the undersigned at (408) 749-6903. If any other fees are due in

connection with filing this amendment, the Commissioner is also authorized to charge

Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. SONYP007). A duplicate copy of the transmittal is

enclosed for this purpose.

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